

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
B.S.A.

DATE March 7, 1969

Full Name TENNEY, EDWIN LOREN
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address last known: 604 Creech Rd.

City Garner State North Carolina
Born in Des Moines, Iowa

Age 31 (dob 6/3/38) (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Catholic Nationality _____

Occupation 1/65-2/69 Professional Scouter; 1/62-1/65 U.S. Army

Education 3 yrs. Conception Seminary

Weight 150 Color White Height 5'9"

Color of hair SILVER Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single Single Children _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

Unit #	City	State	Office	Date Reg'd.	Date resigned
District Scout Executive	Raleigh, N. C.				
	Oconeechee Council #421			1/65	2/69

Special recognition _____

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

Accused of homosexual acts involving boys. He admitted the acts and was immediately dismissed and has moved out of the area.

Signed _____
Scout Executive

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March 7, 1969

Mr. Wallace E. Wood
Scout Executive
Occoneechee Council, No. 421

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Wallace:

This will acknowledge receipt of your recent letter concerning your former District Executive, Edwin L. Tenny. We have placed this information in our files and with the identification particulars we obtained from his professional folder we will be able to identify him should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

You indicated that substantiating documents pertaining to this matter could be obtained if needed. Yes, we would very much appreciate your forwarding to us whatever supporting material you can, such as statements from the boys involved; leaders who did the investigative work, etc.. Thank you for any additional information you can forward.

With regard to the other individual, William Ashley Taylor, unless you can furnish us with definite facts regarding homosexual activity, we feel we cannot justify placing him on the confidential file. If you can substantiate these charges, please let us hear from you.

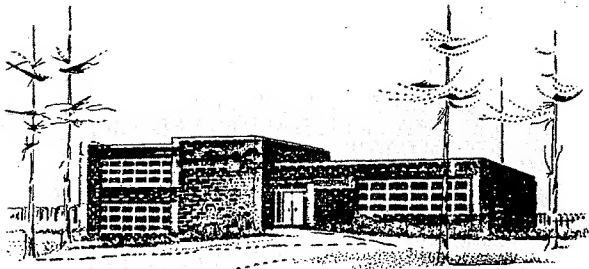
Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Boy Scouts of America

Oconeechee Council

1005 WADE AVENUE

POST OFFICE BOX 12377

RALEIGH, N. C. - 27605

February 12, 1969

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Mr. Howard Boyd
Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service
Boy Scouts of America
National Council
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Howard:

A few days ago we forwarded a Separation Notice on District Executive Edwin L. Tenny of our staff, who was accused and admitting to performing homosexual acts with boys.

In brief, the Scoutmaster and some Committee Members of one of our troops came to see me and reported that boys in their troop had been molested by Tenny on several occasions. With Director of Field Service John Bush as a witness, I immediately contacted Tenny and he admitted that he had homosexual tendencies and that he had engaged in homosexual acts with boys. I can supply further details, if you need them, such as names of leaders and boys with whom we have talked.

Of course, I would recommend that you place Tenny on the confidential list, and I would further suggest that you might want to consider some kind of warning letter to Scout Executives. Tenny was very effective as a District Executive and probably had more close friends among unit leaders than any other District Executive on our staff. He had the same ability to win large number of boys as personal followers of his.

I am pointing out these things because we fear he may be drawn into some Scouting circles again, and it would be extremely dangerous for him to associate with boys or leaders anywhere.

It seems that one bit of information about such matters leads to another. We have also found one younger man, a nineteen year old by the name of William Ashley Taylor, who served on



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Mr. Howard Boyd

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February 12, 1969

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our summer camp staff. This young man is not known to have molested any boys, but he is reported to be a homosexual and to be seen regularly in the company of other known homosexuals of his age and older.

If you need any further information on Tenny or Taylor, please let me know and I'll send it along.

Most sincerely,

Wallace E. Wood
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WEW/pwf

cc: Mr. S. P. Gaskin
Regional Executive
Region Six

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Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

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EMPLOYMENT OR SEPARATION NOTICE

REGION SIX B.S.A.	
FOR ACTION OF	RETURN TO
REC'D JAN 30 1969	FILE
ATTENTION	REGION
NOTED	1/29/69

TO: PERSONNEL AND TRAINING DIVISION
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. 08903
FEB 13 1969
S. C.

FROM: COUNCIL NO. 421 HEADQUARTERS CITY RALEIGH, N.C.

TODAY WE HAVE ☐ EMPLOYED
☐ PROMOTED

(Name) _____ as:

- ☐ Scout Executive
- ☐ Assistant Scout Executive
- ☐ Director Field Service
- ☐ Field Director
- ☐ Program Director

- ☐ Director of _____
- ☐ Assistant Director of _____
- ☐ District Scout Executive
- ☐ Assistant District Scout Executive
- ☐ Other _____
(Must be approved by Personnel Director)

Date on Payroll _____ Annual Salary \$ _____

This man replaces _____ (Name)
☐ Copy of employment letter will follow. ☐ Check if this is a new position.

TODAY WE HAVE RECEIVED THE RESIGNATION OF

N.N. Name EDWARD L. TENNY Title D.S.E.
Current Home Address UNKNOWN
Date off Payroll 2/15/69 Current Salary 7400.00

Reason for Separation:

- ☐ Promotion or Transfer
- ☐ Returned to School
- ☐ Died or Retired
- ☐ Military Service
- ☐ *To Teaching or Ministry
- ☐ *Family or Health
- ☐ *Work Unsatisfactory
- ☐ *Better Job

*Requires a supplementary report from regional office.

Please give reasons and/or additional information THIS MAN HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF HOMOSEXUAL ACTS INVOLVING BOYS. HE ADMITTED THE ACTS AND WAS IMMEDIATELY DISMISSED AND HAS MOVED OUT OF THE AREA.

He should ☐ should not ☒ have consideration for reemployment at a future date. Why? _____

A MORE COMPLETE REPORT WILL FOLLOW.

Date

Signed

Note: Mail yellow copy to regional office; retain pink copy for your files.

☐ This is our last copy of this form. Please send additional supply.

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H.R.P.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

1. Personal Data: Edwin Loren Tenny, District Scout Executive, Raleigh, N. C.

2. Voluntary Scouting Service:

As a Boy: Des Moines, Iowa, 1949-53, Troop 36, St. Augustin's School.
Post 45, 1953-57, Mitigwa Indian Dancers, Grace Methodist Church,
Eagle with Bronze Palm. Ad-Altare-Dei Religious Award.

As an Adult: Boys Town, Nebraska, 1960-62, Explorer Post Committeeman.
Ft. Bragg, N. C. 1962-65. Explorer Advisor and Scoutmaster Post 704,
744 and Troop 774. Scouters Training Award, January 11, 1965.

3. Educational Background:

College & University: Conception Seminary, Conception, Missouri, 1957-60.
Majored in Philosophy. Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, Majored
in Philosophy, 1960-61.

Other Special Work: Two semesters in Houseparents Course, St. Mary's
College, 1960-61, Omaha, Nebraska.

4. Significant Business or Vocational Experience Prior to Scouting:

High School Counselor - 20 9th Grade students, Father Flanagan's Home
for Boys, Boys Town, Nebraska, 1960-62.

5. Military Service Experience:

Basic Training, Ft. Carson, Colo., 1962. Signal School, Lineman Course
Ft. Gordon, Georgia - Honor Graduate. Parachute Training, Ft. Benning,
Georgia, 1962. U. S. Army Special Forces training, Ft. Bragg, N. C.
1962-65. Received training in Primary MOS 051, radio operator. Trained
in weapons, first aid, and counter insurgency/gorilla warfare with
additional training through Special Warfare Center Correspondence Course.
Trained in Survival techniques on land, both swamp and artic. Artic
survival training in Tuntatuliak, Alaska, 1964.

Rank: Sergeant E-5, Letter of Commendation, Good Conduct Medal,
marksmanship awards earned in Rifle and Pistol Handling.

6. Family: Single.

7. Church Activity: Board of Advisors, St. Mary's, Mother of the Church.
Confraternity Director (Sunday School Supervisor). Teacher for
7th and 8th Grade Sunday mornings, two 9th grade classes, every other
Sunday evening, Director of music for choir in Parish Church.

8. Civic and Fraternal:

Garner Optimist Club, YMCA, Advisor to University of North Carolina
at Raleigh Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity.

9. Health: Excellent.

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AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT CONTINUED

10. Participation in Regional and National Events:

National Camping School, 1964, Camp Bert-Adams, Georgia - Aquatic School - for position of waterfront Director Camp W. D. Campbell, Occoneechee Council, 1964. Instructor - National Camping School - Camp McKenzie, Georgia - Aquatic Section - 1966. Instructor - National Camping School - Camp La-No-Che, Orlando, Florida, Program and Scoutcraft Section 1967. National Staff, Swimming Service, XII World Jamboree, Idaho, August, 1967. Boy Scout Instructor training, Schiff Scout Reservation, October 20 - 21, 1967. Council Tour director for three week Charles L. Sommers Region X Canoe Base Trip, August, 1966.

11. Status in Professional Training Program:

Basic - Schiff - 1965. Basic completed November 30, 1967.

12. Review of each Profession Position:

Nature of Assignment - District Scout Executive for 1/3 Area of Wake County - Headquarters City Raleigh County. Began assignment January 12, 1965.

District served is composed of rural, urban, and suburban areas. The urban area is in the low to medium income range. South Raleigh section is the lowest income area and scouting is available to these boys in six different sponsors.

The suburban area is middle-income and all areas have Scouting available near their homes.

The rural area is made up of seven communities and all have some Scouting Program available.

The largest community outside of Raleigh is Garner and has population of 7,000. This is a bedroom community whose residents mostly rely on Raleigh for employment.

Progress of Scouting attendance of 1965 was 11% increase in membership with 10% in units. Reached cash goal in SME and IMC areas of \$8500. Boys' Life, Camping and advancement goals were also reached.

During 1966, additional assignments were accepted on Council level. Program Director at Council Camp; Council trip director for Area 6-A Order of the Arrow fellowship; Region X Tour Director for Council; functional position for Council Camporee - 3,000 participants; maintained same number of units, total 77, membership 1283 by end of 1966.

During 1967, recruited top community leadership for District Chairman, General manager, Rockwell Manufacturing Co. will continue to serve for second year. District Committee strongest in past three years. District Camporees during 1967 had largest attendance in history of District. District has largest number of Sustaining Membership Contributors in four Wake County Districts.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT CONTINUED

Held functional position on Council Scout-O-Rama Show during 1965 and 1967. Served as Program Director at Largest council Camp and led two Council Five Day 50-Miler trips, 1965, 1967.

Other functional jobs for Council are associate Advisor for Order of the Arrow (Vigil received November 11, 1967); Associate Advisor to Council Explorer Cabinet; and Council Boys' Life Promotional Director.

Scouting progress at end of 1967 will show about 8-10% increase in advancement; 18% increase in Boys' Life with about 50% members subscribing; and SME and IMC goal reaching about 93% of its goal of \$9,750.

13. Specific Areas of Professional Responsibility in Which Most Proficient:

I feel most proficient in working with volunteer leaders by recruiting and training them to work with boys; in directing any Council assignment in Program areas; in recruiting and directing personnel to conduct community finance campaigns; in administering the overall district program.